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## Controller Releases More Local Government Payroll Figures

**SACRAMENTO** – State Controller John Chiang today updated his showing the salary, pension benefits and other employee compensation for several hundred land reclamation, levee maintenance, health, hospital, and local water districts.

Last October, the Controller collected and posted wage information for more than 600,000 city and county employees. He then ordered special districts across the State to report the same information, and the first 746 districts were loaded last month.

Compensation information for employees of special districts is being collected and posted on the website in four phases. The second phase – launched today – includes almost \$5 billion in payroll reported by 539 local agencies. The next phase, expected at the end of April, will include cemetery, electric, financing or construction facilities, flood control, water conservation, recreation, and community service districts.

The Local Government Compensation Reporting website covers elected officials as well as public employees. It includes the following information for each position:

- Minimum and maximum salary ranges;
- Actual wages paid;
- The applicable retirement formula;
- Any contributions by the employer to the employee's share of pension costs;
- Any contributions by the employer to the employee's deferred compensation plan; and
- Any employer payments for the employee's health, vision and dental premium benefits.

In addition, the website shows employees who hold multiple positions within a single local government. Postings are updated weekly with any new information received.

Seventy-seven percent of all special districts in the second phase successfully followed the new reporting requirements. A that failed to file in time for today's launch can also be found on this website. Each non-complying agency could face a penalty of \$5,000. The Controller anticipates completing the website with all special district information, along with compensation for state employees, in June of 2011.

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